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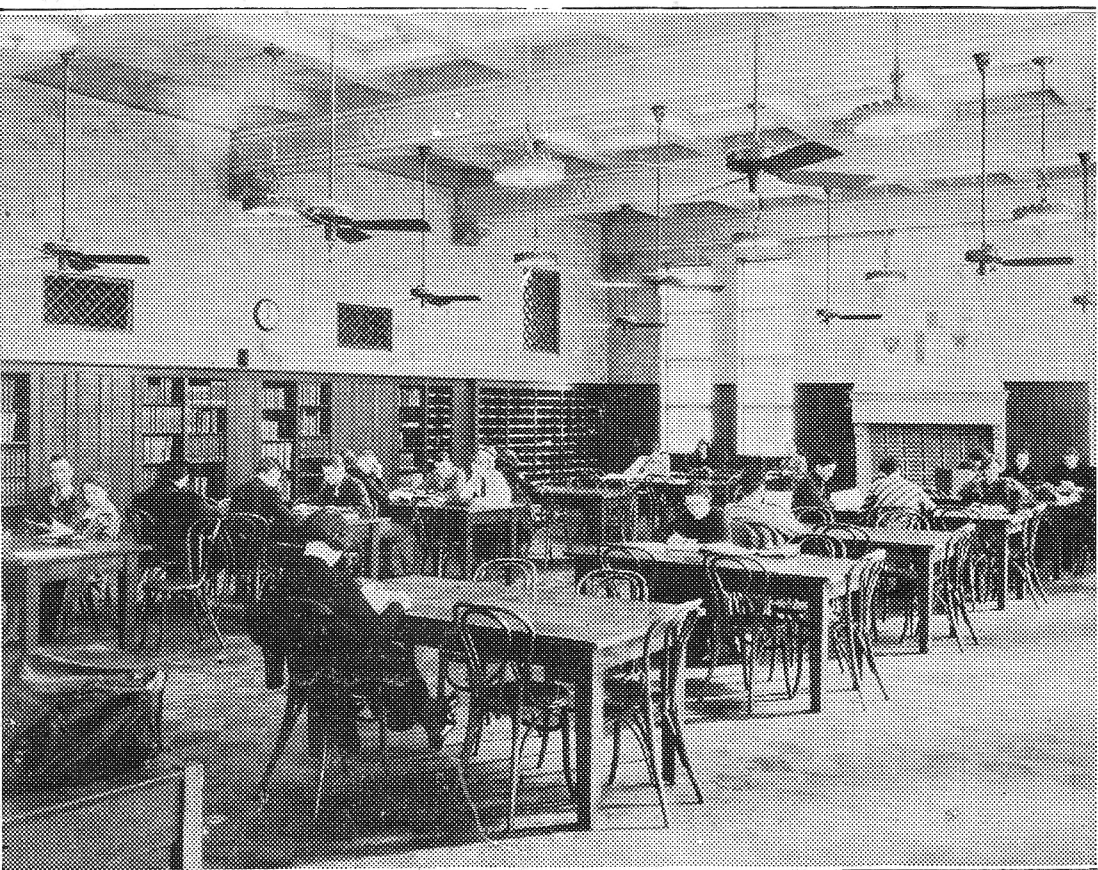
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*Students Enjoy Lovely Library in Jesse Dunn
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Golden Jubilee Celebration Of Northwestern College

An enthusiastic crowd of 20,000 persons jammed the streets of Alva October 24-25 to witness the spectacular Golden Jubilee Homecoming parade. Floats, bands, Round-up clubs and civic organizations made the parade the most outstanding of its kind in the city history.

Fifty years ago Alva was but a village when a few of its leading citizens, early in 1895, began the struggle that founded the state's second oldest Normal school here, which is now Northwestern State College. These efforts were finally rewarded when the senate passed the bill February 26, and Governor W. C. Renfrow signed the bill March 12, 1897.

The Board of Regents selected James E. Ament, an Illinois school man, as first president of the school; and studies were organized with two instructors and a student body of 68 students. The first college building was the rented Congregational Church.

Fifty years later the Normal School has developed into Northwestern State College, and under the leadership of Sabin Perceful, encompasses nine buildings, namely Jesse Dunn and the Science Annex, Herod Hall, Horace Mann, Vinson and Shockley Halls, and a new laundry (under construction) and a power plant. The president's beautiful home completes the list of buildings. Also on the campus are Newby Field and the baseball diamond. There are five tennis courts and a good sized parking lot. The student body now consists of well over six hundred men and women, while the faculty has increased to forty-six.

The cornerstone of the first building—"The Castle on the Hill"—was laid July 1, 1898. This building was destroyed by fire in 1935.

Northwestern State College is the second oldest college in Oklahoma which reflects the courage and hardiness of the people of Northwest Oklahoma.

Of the eight men who were instrumental in procuring authorization by the territorial legislature to establish Northwestern territorial school, all but two have gone to their reward. The two who are still alive—J. W. Monfort of Alva, and Bird Watrus of El Reno,— were present and rode in the Homecoming parade.

Alumni Frolic

An estimated crowd of 500 alumni, college students and visitors filled the cafeteria of Shockley Hall Friday night October 24, for the Annual Mixer. Guests danced to the music of Rex Benedict's orchestra. This is the largest attendance of the mixer in the history of the association.

Class of 1904

Class of 1904 held a class reunion during the Homecoming time. Class mates who had not been together since 1904 enjoyed two days rehashing early college days, and getting reacquainted. Several dinners and get-togethers were held in their honor.

Class party was held at noon Saturday in Nall's Cafe, with other early classmates. Members present were Mrs. Blanche Grant Doughty of Alva; Maurice Thomas of Oklahoma City; Mrs. Maud Drake Bingham of Alva; Florence Conway Hudson of Tulsa, Okla.; Reba Carrico Lisk of Alva; Birtie Shay Shaw of South Plains, Texas; Anna Brown Moore of Chicago, Ill.; Bertha Vorhies Goodin of Denver, Colo.; Dalton Riggs of Chicago, Ill.; Beulah Owen Starr of Alva, and Essie McKitrick Nall of Alva.

Carnations were presented the visiting alumni by the home alumni.

Campus Organizations

DELTA SIGMA EPSILON SORORITY—Delta chapter ranked first in scholarship in 1946-47 among the 41 Delta Sig chapters in the nation. The scholarship ratings were announced in a recent issue of "The Shield", the official sorority magazine. The Northwestern chapter, Delta which has ranked first scholastically for the last four years, holds the Genevieve Schmitt Memorial plaque, awarded to the chapter with the highest scholastic rating between conclaves.

THETA PHI BETA held their Annual Founders Day Banquet Dec. 4 with dinner being served at 7:00 o'clock. Theta Phi Beta was organized in 1939. Its purpose is to promote active participation in music, to encourage an appreciation for all better types of music, to sponsor concerts by outstanding artists, and to promote a bond of mutual understanding and good will among its members.

THE LITTLE THEATRE of Northwestern announce a new comedy for the near future. Castings for the play will be announced soon. "These Doggone Elections" (the name of the coming play) is a political and satirical comedy centered about county elections. This is the third play given this year.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS—A large group of N. S. C. chapter attended a State League of Young Democrats meeting in Enid recently.

CHI BETA NU, men's music fraternity, which has been reactivated since the war, held a meeting recently and elected officers for the coming year, with Glenn Holden, President. This fraternity which is new on the campus this year, has already started plans for many activities during the year.

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA met in the home of their sponsor, Miss Genuit for a business meeting. The Annual Christmas party was held in the home of Mrs. Roscoe Elliot. Lovely gifts were exchanged among Alumni, Patronesses and Active members. Sigma Sigma Sigma won the scholarship cup for the highest average of a chapter in the National Sorority recently.

AAUP (American Association of University Professors) met on the campus recently and formed an organization and elected officers. The The AAUP chapter became active on the Northwestern campus this year for the first time since 1938.

NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE STUDENTS RECEIVE HONOR IN WHO'S WHO

Nine Northwestern State College students received notification by mail recently that they had been officially accepted for recognition in the 1947-48 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Students honored by this recognition are Betty Harrover Beasley, Alva; Dorothy Jean Crisp, Perryton, Texas; Lura Marine Downs, Buffalo, Okla.; James Howard Parr, Cherokee, Okla.; Helen Louise Campbell, Alva; James Louis Diacon, Alva; Billy Ann Eller, Alva; Orpha Elizabeth Ewert, Alva; and Patsy Ruth Peters, Alva.

Selections were made on the basis of outstanding effort, accomplishment in academic work, extracurricular activities and service to the school.

16 Graduated With Class of 1

Left to right, 1st row—Edd L. Reed (deceased) Clarence Salter Strickland, John B. Monical (deceased). 2nd row—Garnett Kendall Sherrell, Edna B. Smith. Back row—Thomas Miller, (deceased), Allis (deceased).



Reunion Class of 1908

Class of 1908 is planning a reunion of all classmates during the Annual Spring Alumni Banquet, and herewith is a list taken from our records. We are never sure of our addresses, as you know people move about these days, and try as we will we cannot keep up with everyone unless they send their new address to us. Will you please check the list and if you know of any that we have wrong please let us know so that we can correct the records and also to aid the ommittee in reaching them through letters:

Matilde Aeckerle Lee, Blackwell, Okla.

Stella Buchanan Shaw, 1410 N. W. 16th, San Antonio, Tex.

T. C. Carter, Alva, Okla.

Beulah Chadwick, Oklahoma City Schools, Oklahoma City, Okla,

902 at Northwestern Normal

(deceased) Nellie Smith, Ayres K. Ross, George Hicks, Ottie Arndt
Baird, Lacey D. Heater, Jesse Mahaffey Shelley, Dalton Riggs, Estella
Armstrong Kramer, Maude Linton Chambers, Frank Green (de-



Jennie G. Edwards Lovett, Corvallis, Oregon.

C. J. Godfrey, Enid, Okla.

Miriam Herod Norris, E. Birmingham, Iowa.

Ruby Kelley Herod, El Reno, Okla.

F. L. Humphrey, 545 S. Grove St., Wichita, Kansas.

Mabel Lewis Herron, 510 Ann St., Columbia, Mo.

Merritt Mason, Alva, Okla.

Anne McGee Goodwin, Dade City, Fla.

Grace McKitrick Brooks, Cherokee, Okla.

Harry Nighswonger, Alva, Okla.

Opal Cowan Nighswonger, Alva, Okla.

C. C. Parkhurst, Norman, Oklahoma.

Ollie Elder Reneau, Route 3, Box 21, Hemet, Calif.

Mary Robert, Eureka, Kansas.

Agnes Rutledge, Unitarian Parsonage, Dedham, Mass.

Mildred Smith, Watonga, Okla.
 Ellen Sherman True, 12th and Walker, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Hazel Campbell Tuck, 800 N. W. 35th, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Nettie Paul Vigg, 9225 Holmes Ave, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Elizabeth Williamson Wilson, Stillwater, Okla.
 Ethel Wilson Foth, 1184 Mac Vicar, Topeka, Kansas.
 V. O. Wilson, Stillwater, Okla.
 Nannie Gifford, Norman, Okla.

Please address any correspondence to Opal Nighswonger or Essie Nall, Alva, Okla.

Will be glad to help any other class who might want to have reunion at this time. Essie Nall, Editor.

Alumni News from Here and There

Betty Miller Clifford is now in Austin Texas. Betty teaches Spanish in the public schools, while her husband, a former Northwesterner, teaches in the sociology department in the University of Texas.

Marjory Ewalt, Mrs. Rae Heady and Mrs. Carrie Ritchey are now teaching in Dacoma public schools.

A card from Mr. and Mrs. Carl Polita (Bess Hubbard) reveals they are now in Tulsa, well, prosperous and happy.

Myrtle Pruitt Ritcher now resides in San Francisco, Calif.—A talented professional musician, a harpist, and has a studio in Frisco where she teaches harp.

Lucille Chew France teaches school in Newton Kansas. Her husband Capt. John France serves at the Army's testing ground 25 miles from there.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hagaman and Judy and Denny of Canyon City, Colo., spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Marsh of Alva.

Prof. and Mrs. Marion Anglin, of Henrietta spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Van Antwerp of Alva.

Mrs. Beula Farrand Stillman now resides at Chetopa, Kansas.

Received announcement of the marriage of Josephine Vandeveld of Avard to Melvin Lloyd Scroggins of Monterey, Calif. They will make their home at 662 Gilmour, Brawley, Calif.

Mrs. Oneta Maxwell Hannum and William Homer Hale, both of Northwestern, are now enrolled at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

Prof. and Mrs. Albert Fanning of Ponca City, Okla., were in Alva for the Homecoming. Prof. Fanning was superintendent of Alva schools 20 years ago.

Mrs. Fred King, daughter of John Renfrew of Alva, spent a few days with friends and relatives in Alva.

Wayne Quinlan was up from Norman for the Homecoming and to visit his parents, relatives and friends.

John McKeever and wife, and Hal Hampton and wife of Claremore, Okla., spent several days with home folks and friends.

Smith Cunningham, secretary of the Watonga Chamber of Commerce, attended Homecoming celebration in Alva. This was Smith's first visit for some time. He played with the Ranger ball team 1898-99 and 1900.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Day of Burlington, Wash., announce the birth of a daughter. Joe is high school football coach at Burlington.

Word has been received here that Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reneau of Los Angeles had been seriously injured in a car accident. Mrs. Reneau is the former Joan Shafer of Alva.

A letter from Mack Hiatt, former Alva resident and business man, requests extra copies of Golden Jubilee news papers. Mack is still interested in Northwestern and recalls that he was present at the cornerstone celebration of "Castle on the Hill." For some time he has been Texas branch manager for the Stanley Home Products, Inc., with headquarters at Lubbock, Texas.

Doris Elizabeth Brown of class 1947 was married to Glenn Hawley Downs of Buffalo, Okla., Mr. Downs is employed by Zenith Gas Company of Alva.

Irene Baker of Class 1942, taught in the Enid schools last year, was married this summer and is now Mrs. Ivan Drumn and resides at Mulhall, Okla.

Julia Evans Calkins of the class 1928, now resides at 700 N. W. 29th St., Oklahoma City.

Ruth Bush Pryor now lives at 2620 A Ave. National City, Calif.

Miss Vona Boucher has been teaching in El Reno Oklahoma schools the past four years. Her sister Mrs. C. E. Laird (Lorena Boucher) now resides at 1128 Kemper Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

Mary E. East has taught school in San Diego Calif. for several years. Her address is 2408, 6th Ave.

Nora Eutsler Fiscus now lives at 1339 Palasade, Wichita, Kansas.

Mrs. Eugene Drown (Winnie Walton) has a new address—429 Court St., Elko, Nev.

A letter from Mrs. Glenn Snyder (Rosella Benjamin) Class of 1941, states that they have moved to Otis, Colo. She with her husband and three small children live on a wheat farm.

Mrs. Mildred Brown Casper with her husband now live at 729 W. 46th Kansas City, Mo.

Wiley White of class 1929 of Keystone, Okla. attended Homecoming Celebration in Alva. This was Wiley's first visit to Alva in several years and his friends were all glad to see him.

Astor Creech and wife (Helen Smith) now reside at Great Bend, Kansas.

Miss Eula Callison teaches in Kiowa, Kansas. Eula's mother passed away recently.

Ben Ridgeway and John Haworth, both Alva boys, are now employed as chemists by the Phillips Petroleum of Wichita Falls, Texas.

Sylvia Van Osdal is teaching in Jet public school. Her daughter also teaches fifth grade in the same school.

Nina M. Cook of class 1942, who has taught in Ingersol, Okla., schools for several years, is now teaching in junior high in Cherokee, Okla.

Mrs. Neva Wilson of Class 1942, received her Masters degree from A. and M. College at Stillwater. She is county superintendent of Alfalfa County, also District Director of Business and Professional Women's Club.

Martha J. Frizzell, class of 1942, is home economics teacher at Alva. Her home is in Cherokee.

Gertrude Garrett of Cherokee received her Masters degree from Oklahoma University. She teaches in Cherokee junior high.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ward, formerly of Kiowa Kansas are now teaching in Moline Kansas. Elmer received his Masters degree from Hays, Kansas, 1947. His

brothers—Vic and Bob also are Northwestern graduates.

Bond McClure is grade principal at Cherokee, Okla. He received his Masters degree from Phillips University, Enid Okla.

Oliver Lawback of Fairview, Okla., teaches in Cherokee, Okla.

Mrs. Ada Dail also teaches in Cherokee, Okla.

Th Huneke family certainly are doing their share in the educational field. William H. Huneke of class 1926, certified public accountant, 223 Greeley Bldg. Greeley, Colo. Marion Huneke of class 1933, teaches math in Lawrence, Kansas, high school, his address is 2023 Kentucky St. Lawrence, Kansas. Sarah Huneke Moore of class 1935 teaches in Rosston high school. Harold Huneke of class 1936 is head of math at Northwestern. Esther Elsie Huneke of class 1940 teaches at Gage, Okla.

A beautiful marriage of recent date was the daughter of Prof. Campbell—Helen Louise Campbell to Stanley E. Williams. Wedding was in home of Professor Campbell.

Another popular Northwesterner—Orpha Ewert—was married to Raymond Herrick of Madison Wisconsin. Orpha will be missed from the music department of the college.

Students of Northwestern State college will soon be flying for full credit at Alva's new \$142,000 municipal airport, which has recently been approved for flying by the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

Essie Nall, Editor of Ranger Roundup, just returned from a few months sojourn in Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif. Hence the tardiness of the paper.

Mrs. Jenella Jones of Woodward, Okla., had the misfortune to fall and break both wrists recently. She is recovering nicely and will have no bad effects of the injury.

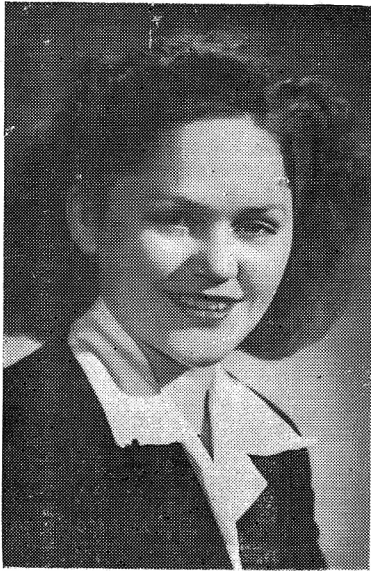
Elizabeth Anne Hollen of Alva attended a board meeting of Business and Professional Club at Oklahoma City last week.

Edna Donley, who teaches in Alva high school and is a good Alumni member, is chairman of a newly organized highschool speech conference. First conference tournament will be held in Woodward, Feb. 23. The conference was organized to promote dramatic and speech activities in the high schools of northwest Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Huneke of Lawrence, Kansas, announce the birth of a daughter, Karen Sue, born Oct. 12. Marion is a graduate of Northwestern and is teaching in Lawrence high school.

Affectionate Adieu to Dormitory Room

Written by Jeanne Magill on leaving her room at the Northwestern Dormitory.



Jeanne Magill

In this room I leave a part of me,
But something that no one alive can see,
A part that lived, part that died,
A part that was happy and a part that cried
In this room I made my home
And dwelt here blissfully all alone,
But I loved all the girls on the second floor
And welcomed all who passed my door.
Now in this room I take my leave,
And the unchecked tears are because I grieve,
So from this day on till I enter my tomb,
I'll remember the life I lived—in this room.

A VISIT FROM STATE REGENTS

A new Board, created by the last legislature and appointed by Governor Roy Turner, met on the campus of Northwestern State College and inspected the plant and held an official meeting with President Sabin C. Perceful of Northwestern and J. H. Burton of Southwestern Tech of Weatherford.

A pledge to eliminate all political domination and pressure from the personnel problems and hiring of faculty members of the six state colleges was made by Rector Swearingen of Durant, member of the new state board of regents for state colleges.

The board is supporting all the college presidents it was pointed out and are very well pleased with the cleanliness of Northwestern and the school unit as a whole.

(This is certainly good news for those who have watched Northwestern disrupted and crippled from time to time by politics.)



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